

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Telangana State Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Diversion of **6.086 Ha** of Forest land in Kamareddy, Banswada and Nizamabad division for laying 220 KV double circuit line with multi circuit towers in Forest land to extend power supply to Yacharam Thanda Pump house under Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme, Package-22 in favour of Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Schemes, TS TRANSCO, Nizamabad.– Final (**Stage.II**) approval accorded – Orders – issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 11

Dated: 11-03-2024

Read the following:-

1. From the PCCF(HoFF), TS, Hyd, Ref.No.3172/2020/FCA-4,
Dated:18.02.2022.
2. Govt. Lr.No.763/For.I(1)/2022, dt.11.03.2022.
3. From the Deputy Inspector General of Forests(Central),
GoI,MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad,
F.No.4-TSC263/2022-HYD/485, dt.11.05.2022.
4. From PCCF (HoFF), T.S., Hyd., Ref.No.FC4/FC26/6/2022,
Dt.21.03.2023
5. Govt. Letter. No.763/For.I(1)/2022, Dated:30.05.2023.
6. From the Asst.Inspector General of Forests(C), GoI, MoEF&CC,
Sub Office(RO, Chennai) Hyderabad, F.No.4-TSC263/2022
HYD/884, Dt.14.12.2023.

O R D E R

In the letter 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad has furnished a proposal for diversion of **6.086 Ha** of Forest land in Kamareddy, Banswada and Nizamabad division for laying 220 KV double circuit line with multi circuit towers in Forest land to extend power supply to Yacharam Thanda Pump house under Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme, Package-22 in favour of Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Schemes, TS TRANSCO, Nizamabad.

2. In the letter 3rd read above, the Ministry of Environment & Forests GoI have granted in-principle (Stage-I) approval for the proposal forwarded vide letter 2nd read above, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated thereof.

3. In the letter 5th read above, the State Government have sent the report of compliance on the conditions stipulated by GoI, as submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad in her letter 4th read above, to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Sub Office(RO, Chennai) Hyderabad for according necessary approval.

4. In the letter 6th read above, Central Government have granted final approval for the proposal in para-1 above, under Section- 2 of the Forest (C) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the conditions stipulated therein.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for diversion of **6.086 Ha** of Forest land in Kamareddy, Banswada and Nizamabad division for laying 220 KV double circuit line with multi circuit towers in Forest land to extend power supply to Yacharam Thanda Pump house under Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme, Package-22 in favour of Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Schemes, TS TRANSCO, Nizamabad, under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

- i. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.

- ii. Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is mutated in the name of Forest Department and handed over by the user agency.
- iii. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 14.60 ha non-forest/degraded forest land (Compartment 417) at Amsanpally RF/Beat and Indalwai Range of Nizamabad division and district at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- iv. The CA land and CA scheme shall not be altered/changed without the approval of the Central Government.
- v. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- vi. The User agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall implement the scheme prepared for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species(preferably medicinal plants) in the right of way under the transmission line.
- vii. Forest land shall be handed over only after it is demarcated by the DFO from the funds already realized from the User Agency.
- viii. The user agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the SFD.
- ix. The user agency shall install bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on the upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
- x. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter no.7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.
- xi. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental(Protection)Act, 1986, if applicable.
- xii. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- xiii. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- xiv. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- xv. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- xvi. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
- xvii. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- xviii. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of the Court orders, provisions, rules, regulations and guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.

- xix. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt.of India.
- xx. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation)Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the prevalent MoEF&CC Guidelines.
- xxi. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

6. The Nodal Officer shall be responsible for obtaining the compliance of all the conditions laid down in the Stage-II (final) approval accorded under the Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

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Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change,
1st and 2nd Floor, Handloom Export Promotion Council,
34, Cathedral Garden Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai -34.

The Inspector General of Forests(C),Suboffce, MoEF&CC, Hyderabad,
Regional Office, Chennai,6th Floor, Aranya bhavan, Hyderabad.

The Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Schemes, TS TRANSCO, 132KV Substation, Aryanagar, Nizamabad-503230.

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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER